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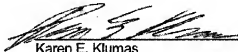
Applicants herewith submit an Information Disclosure Statement for the above identified application.

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Documents relating to the above-identified application are submitted herewith. The following information is intended for the Examiner's information and for citation with the instant case. This submission does not constitute either a representation that a thorough search has been made or an admission that the documents cited herein are properly citable against the above-identified application. Comments accompanying the documents, if any comments are included, are believed to constitute a concise explanation of the relevance of the documents. However, any such comments are not intended to take the place of the Examiner's independent consideration of each document. An attached PTO Form 1449 lists these documents.

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/T.S.W./	1	5,271,930	12/21/93	Walele et al.	424	78.08	
/T.S.W./	2	5,472,686	12/05/95	Tsubaki et al.	424	59	
/T.S.W./	3	5,660,819	08/26/97	Tsubaki et al.	424	70.1	
/T.S.W./	4	5,565,115	10/12/99	Bolich, Jr. et al.	424	70.12	
/T.S.W./	5	5,572,356	10/26/99	Peffly et al.	424	401	
/T.S.W./	6	5,365,672	04/02/02	Adams et al.	525	101	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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/T.S.W./	7	01/07496	02/01/01	PCT			
/T.S.W./	8	98/53794	12/03/98	PCT			

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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